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SENATE BILL

No. 1473

Introduced by Senator Wyland

February 19, 2010

An act to add Section 15281 to the Education Code, relating to school facilities.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1473, as amended, Wyland. School facilities bond proceeds: performance audits.

The California Constitution limits the maximum amount of any ad valorem tax on real property to 1% of the full cash value of the property. The California Constitution states that the 1% limitation for ad valorem taxes does not apply to ad valorem taxes or assessments to pay the interest and redemption charges on bonded indebtedness incurred by a school district, community college district, or county office of education for the construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, or replacement of school facilities approved by 55% of the voters if the proposition includes specified accountability requirements. The accountability requirements include a requirement that the governing board of either the school district or community college district or the county office of education conduct an annual, independent performance audit to ensure that the funds are expended only on the specific projects listed in the proposition authorizing the sale of the bonds.

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This bill would require a performance audit to be conducted in accordance with the 2007 revision of Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- SECTION 1. Section 15281 is added to the Education Code, to read:
- 3 15281. The annual, independent performance audit required
- 4 by subparagraph (C) of paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of Section
- 5 1 of Article XIII A of the California Constitution shall be
- 6 conducted in accordance with the 2007 revision of Government
- 7 Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the
- 8 United States for performance audits.